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Chapter 31: The Person You Want to Become

BUT IF HER OWN CLASSES ARE FINISHED, SHE SHOULD JUST HEAD HOME ALREADY...
SHIRATO-SAN SAID SHE'D WAIT AT THE EXIT UNTIL CLASS WAS OVER...
CRAP...
IN THE FIRST PLACE, WHAT DOES THE HERO CLUB EVEN DO...?
IT'S ENTIRELY ENIGMATIC!!
AND THAT SMILING FACE WHEN I ARRIVED...
ABSOLUTELY FRIGHTENING !!!!
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BY ANY MEANS NECESSARY, I ABSOLUTELY MUST ESCAPE FROM SHIRATO-SAN...!!
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I WOULD NEVER HAVE IMAGINED THAT SHE WAS YOUR DAUGHTER.
BUT... I NEVER THOUGHT I'D RUN INTO MIKA HERE.
SO MUCH FOR MY PLAN.
PLAN?
HAHA... THIS IS EMBARASSING...
THE REASON SHE HAS THAT GOTTA-CATCH--THE-BAD--GUY DISPOSITION IN THE FIRST PLACE...
IS ALL MY FAULT...
くしゃくしゃ "KUSHA KUSHA"
ARRRGH! HOW DO I PUT IT?
OF COURSE I MEANT IT FOR MIKA'S SAKE!
I JUST, AT THE SAME TIME, CONCERNED MYSELF TOO MUCH WITH APPEARANCES AS HER FATHER ...!!
KUSHA KUSHA = DISHEVEL/MESS
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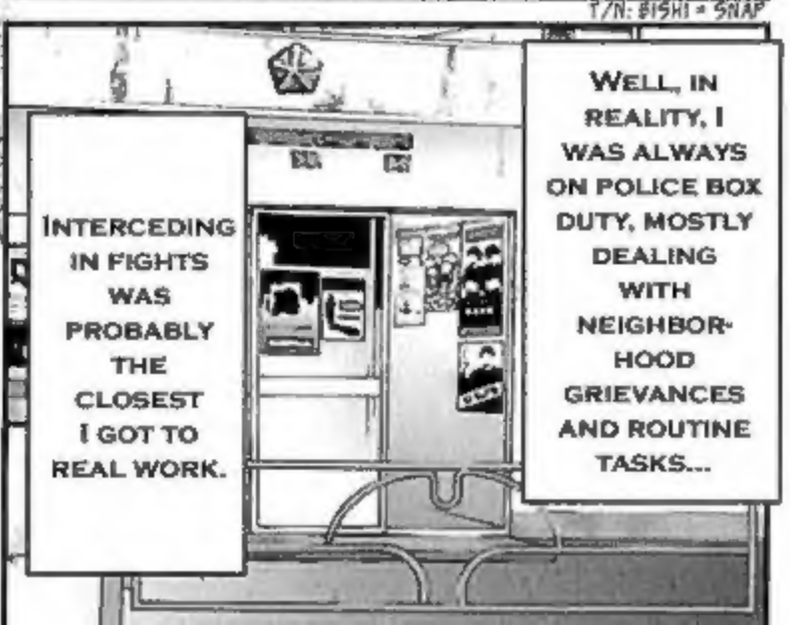
"BAKYUUN"
EVERYDAY, PAPA IS POURING JUSTICE INTO THE BAD GUYS.
THE VERY EMBODIMENT OF JUSTICE, CLEANING UP THE BAD GUYS.
I'LL TELL YOU SOMETHING, MIKA! PAPA IS THE TOWN'S HERO POLICEMAN.
A LONG TIME AGO... WHEN I WAS STILL ALIVE, I WAS A POLICEMAN.

YOU'RE THE ONE WHO'S GOING TO DIE!
"CHA"
YOU FOOL!!
"BAKI"
EVEN IN THAT, I WAS AT THE BOTTOM OF THE BARREL.
BUT... DAY IN AND DAY OUT, INSIDE MY HEAD, I WAS PERFORMING JUST LIKE A DETECTIVE IN A POLICE DRAMA.

T/N: BISHI = SNAP


INTERCEDING IN FIGHTS WAS PROBABLY THE CLOSEST I GOT TO REAL WORK.
WELL, IN REALITY, I WAS ALWAYS ON POLICE BOX DUTY, MOSTLY DEALING WITH NEIGHBORHOOD GRIEVANCES AND ROUTINE TASKS...

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Mika took that influence from me unfiltered, and would often pick fights with the neighborhood kids saying that she was pouring out justice.

"BISHI"

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Poured out justice, today, too, sir!

Good! I'm counting on you from here on out too! In the name of justice!

Justice!

I imagine Mika thinks she's really taking out evil... but most of it misses the mark... and it frequently resulted in complaints.

Fugeh!

Screw-driver!!

W-what the!?

Around when Mika turned 12...

T-... today ...

Some boys in the class made fun of me.

They were saying that papa was being teased by high schoolers, that papa's a good-for-nothing policeman.

So I poured justice into the liars...

Uuu ...

The fact that... I'm a good-for-nothing...

Crap... someday it'll come out.

I pan-icked...

WHAT HAPPENED !?
"GATA"
IT'S A CASE..!
M-... MISTER POLICE-MAN, HELP...
THAT'S WHEN IT HAPPENED ...
PERHAPS IT WAS IMPRUDENT... BUT THAT WAS THE ONLY TIME I HAD FELT LIKE I WAS THE STAR OF A DRAMA...
I LEFT THE VICTIM TO MY COLLEAGUE AND, IN A DAZE, RAN TOWARDS THE DIRECTION SHE SAID THE OFFENDER HAD RUN.
APPAR-ENTLY... IT WAS A STREET SLASHER.
"BAN"
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AH... WHAT A FOOL... LEAVING BEHIND A TRAIL OF BLOOD.
THANKS FOR SHOWING ME WHERE YOU'RE HEADING...
PERFECT! I'M NOT GOING TO LET MIKA FEEL LIKE THAT ANYMORE.
"KYU"
JUST WATCH...!! I'LL SHOW EVERYONE WHO'S MADE A FOOL OF ME SO FAR!
T/N: KYU = FIX/STRAIGHTEN
WHERE DID IT...?
THE BLOOD TRAIL DISAP-PEARED...
HUH ...?
... THIS WAY ...?

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AND THE PERPETRATOR WAS CAUGHT HANDILY BY THE GUY WHO CAME AFTER ME!
IN THE END, I COULDN'T BECOME THE HERO, EVEN RIGHT UP TO THE LAST...
PATHETIC, RIGHT?
AND THAT... IS HOW I DIED.

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IT LOOKED LIKE MIKA FURTHER STRENGTHENED HER RESOLVE AS A HERO AFTER I DIED.
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"DOSU"
NEVERTHELESS, SHE'S STILL FAILING LEFT AND RIGHT... AND I THOUGHT, "OH... SHE'S JUST LIKE ME, ISN'T SHE..?"
T/N: DOSU = WHUMF

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THE GIRL YOU SAID YOU WANTED TO PRO-DUCE...
BUT THE POOR GIRL... SHE INHERITED MY GENES...
IF I COULD JUST HELP HER BECOME THE PERSON SHE WANTS TO BE SOMEHOW ...
I WAS THINKING WHETHER THERE WAS SOME WAY I COULD PRODUCE MIKA, BUT...
I STILL DON'T HAVE THAT CONFI-DENCE YET...
YEAH... THAT'S RIGHT.
EVEN THOUGH... I REALLY SHOULD BE MAKING MY PEACE WITH THE WORLD SOON...

TAICHI-SAN. WHERE'S SHIRATO-SAN...?
IF THAT'S THE STORY...
THEN I'LL HELP YOU FIND YOUR PEACE!!
"HAA HAA"
"HAA"
HEHE... I USED A DIFFERENT EXIT AND GAVE HER THE SLIP.
WE JUST HAVE TO MAKE SHIRATO-SAN INTO A REAL HERO, RIGHT?
I'M A USELESS GUY, TOO. I UNDER-STAND YOUR FEELINGS...

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SUPER BUTT PUNCH !!
GAH ...!
M-... MY APOLO-GIES...
"POKA"
TAI-CHI-SAN... DO YOUR BEST!
EHAN~!

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More Baka to Boin. And probably another chapter really soon! Like really soon! And Sou. Because we love Akane's faces <3
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